

(b) Does not arise.

(c) It is the constant endeavour of the Government to inform the people about the important information through other programmes also.

#### **Rural Electrification in Orissa**

1772. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages electrified during the year 1990-91 and the villages which are yet to be electrified in Orissa;

(b) the amount proposed to be provided by the Government to meet the demand of the Orissa State Government for electrification; and

(c) if no such assistance is proposed the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The Orissa State Electricity Board has reported electrification of 1,385 villages in Orissa during 1990-91. As on 30.9.1991, there were 14,864 unelectrified villages in Orissa.

(b) and (c). The Planning Commission has allocated an amount of Rs.39.96 crores during 1991-92 to be funded through Rural Electrification Corporation, for rural electrification works in Orissa.

[English]

#### **Electricity from Central Power Grid**

1773. SHRI KARIYA MUNDA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide electricity to more villages to Chhota Nagpur of Bihar by providing electricity from Central Power Grid and from other States, and

(b) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). Power from various generating stations, including Central stations, is fed into the regional grid from where it gets distributed among the beneficiary States/Systems as per their respective shares. The Electrification of villages in Bihar including Chhota Nagpur depends upon the allocation made by the State Government for the districts within the over all allocation of power for the State.

#### **Clearance to TV Serial 'Kayar' (Cair) by Doordarshan**

1774. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:  
SHRI PALA K.M.  
MATHEW:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the TV Serial 'Kayar' (Cair) has been given complete clearance for telecast;

(b) whether some parts of this serial have been pruned by the Doordarshan;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor, and

(d) whether the Government propose to take care that the spirit of the novel "Cair" is not eroded by the actions of Doordarshan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir. Each episode is separately pre-viewed and cleared before its telecast

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. Some scenes of the earlier episode of the serial were pruned to render it suitable for family viewing.

(d) Yes, Sir.

[Translation]

### **Speed Post Facility In Cities of Bihar**

1775. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities having 'speed post' facility and the number of cities that do not have such facility in Bihar;

(b) the number of cities in which the 'speed-post' facility is proposed to be introduced by the Government during 1991-92; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Speed Post facility is available in the following 4 cities in Bihar under speed post national network and in 3 cities under point to point speed post service.

#### **UNDER NATIONAL NETWORK**

- I) Patna
- (ii) Ranchi
- (iii) Dhanbad
- iv) Jamshedpur

#### **UNDER POINT TO POINT SPEED POST SERVICE**

- I) Patna

(ii) Girdih

(iii) Darbhanga

The facility does not exist in other cities of Bihar.

(b) There is no proposal for the present to introduce speed post service in any other city/town of Bihar.

(c) Non-availability of suitable transmission network and traffic viability are the reasons for not starting speed post service in other cities/towns.

### **New Telephone Exchanges in Bihar**

1776. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new telephone exchanges set up in Bihar last year and the names of the places thereof;

(b) the names of the places where telephone exchanges have been expanded during the last three years; and

(c) the names of the places where telephone exchanges are likely to be commissioned and expanded during 1991-92 and the type of the Technology to which they relate?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) 13 (Details in Statement-I attached).

(b) 112 (Details in Statement-II attached).

(c) 60 (Details in Statement Annex-III attached).